August 14, 2022

Regional Freedom of Information Officer U.S. EPA, Region 4 AFC Bldg. 61 Forsyth Street., S.W., 9th Floor (4PM/IF) Atlanta, GA 30303-8960

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I initially requested information from the EPA Facility Service Report on August 12, 2022 via Webform submission to Contact Us About FRS.

Office of Information Management Office of Mission Support U.S. EPA WJC West 5322L

I was respectfully advised to submit a DEA FOIA request due to my very detailed request.

This request pertains to: DAK AMERICAS LLC CAPE FEAR SUPERFUND SITE (designated 1968), EPA Registry Id: 110008647893, 3500 DANIELS ROAD NORTHEAST, LELAND, NC 28451.

My housing development, my neighborhood, is adjacent to the 2-3 mile long fence line for the DAK Superfund facility.

I have spent months reading all the information provided by the EPA in the US EPA Facility Register Service Report (FSR) which is the centrally managed database that identifies facilities either subject to environmental regulations or of environmental interest, providing an integrated source of air, water, and waste environmental data. The FSR identifies the DAK Americas site as an archived site (now safe from contamination) in 1996.

I have read the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NC DEQ) Report Fact Sheet (3 pages) preceding a public meeting held on April 24, 2019. A copy of that document is attached to this request. Please read the three page fact sheet in conjunction with this FOI request. The Fact Sheet explains contaminants original to the DAK site and also DAK's proposed site closure plan. I await a recently requested copy of the report describing the public meeting (available to attendees only) from the NC DEQ.

This is an EPA designated archived (safe) 2,200 acre Superfund Site which now includes a conservation easement of about 1,375 acres. Aerial photographs show what may be as many, perhaps 58 or more containment mounds and perhaps 7 or more containment ponds. Please note that the eastern boundary of the DAK site is the Cape Fear River and the east boundary a post 2008 residential development.

My request for information is answers to questions opined to be within the scope of the FOIA:

- 1. Where and how are all the contaminants listed in the DEQ Fact Sheet contained and protected from exposure to humans and wildlife?
- 2. How many containment mounds and pools and buildings if any are used and what exactly is contained in each and every retention or containment pond and mound? Please use mound and pool ID numbers.
- 3. The 2019 DEQ Fact Sheet suggests leakage occurring in 2019. When was the last time the site was 100 percent inspected for any leaks or weakness?
- 4. Are there any leaks?
- 5. Dupont E.I. De Nemours and Co Cape Fear is "currently registered as an "Archived" superfund site by the EPA and does not require any clean up action or further investigation at this time. Is this true today August 14, 2022?"
- 6. When was the last time the site boundary fence was inspected for breaks or unauthorized pedestrian or vehicle entry?
- 7. Is the entire 2,200 acre site surrounded by a security fence and gates?
- 8. How often is the site patrolled for unauthorized entry? Requesting a security concept not a schedule.

Thank you for your attention to this FOIA Request for Information.

pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 1746 (2) I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Executed on August 14, 2022.

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Attached: DEQ Fact Sheet (cited within)